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In re Application of

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Serial No. 09/943,578

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For: NOVEL STYRYL COMPOUND AND ORGANIC ELECTROLUMINESCENCE DEVICE

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Your petitioner, Idemitsu Kosan Co., Ltd., a corporation residing at 1-1, Marunouchi 3-Chome Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, JAPAN, represents that it is the sole assignee of the entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/943,578, filed August 31, 2001, as evidenced by an assignment from the inventors of the above-identified patent application. That assignment document (copy attached) was recorded in the USPTO on February 5, 2002, at Reel 012796, Frames 0785. Your petitioner, Idemitsu Kosan Co., Ltd., hereby disclaims the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would

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The undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application identified above and, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

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Respectfully submitted,

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